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POLYMERIC ELECTROLYTE AND ELECTRIC
DEVICE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

CANCEL claim 17.

Amend claims 1-16, 18-20 and 22-31 as follows:

A1 1. (Amended) An ion-conductive polymeric compound, comprising one or more boron atoms in a polymeric structure.